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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: WIDE-BODY JET TEST FLIGHTS BEGIN AT OSAKA

INTL. AIRPORT

1. ON APRIL 8, THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT (JCAB) BEGAN A TEST SERIES OF WIDE-BODY JET FLIGHTS AT OSAKA INTL. AIRPORT. A TOTAL OF 100 TEST FLIGHTS ARE BEING CARRIED OUT BETWEEN APRIL 8 AND 17 USING A B747-SR BELONGING TO JAL AND AN L-1011 OF ALL NIPPON AIRWAYS.

2. DURING THIS PERIOD, NOISE LEVELS AND THE EXTENT OF THE OISE FOOTPRINTS, EXHAUST EMISSION, VIBRATION, EXHAUST GAS ODOR AND JET BLAST ARE BEING MEASURED AT 35 CHECKPOINTS SET UP BY THE MOT. SEPARATE TESTS ARE SIMULTANEOUSLY BEING CONDUCTED BY OSAKA AND HYOGO PREFECTURAL GOVERNMENTS AND SEVERAL CITY GOVERNMENTS IN THE AREA. RESULTS OF THE TEST WILL BE COMPARED WITH PROJECTED ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY THE MOT EARLIER FOR USE AS REFERENCE INDECIDING WHETHER WIDE-BODY JETS WILL BE PERMITTED TO USE THE AIRPORT.

3. COMMENT: TWO OF THE AIR CARRIERS WE QUERIED VENTURED NO ESTIMATE AS TO WHEN (OR IF) OSAKA MIGHT BE OPENED TO WID-BODY COMMERCIAL SERVICE. EMBASSY WILL KEEP DEPARTMENT ADVISED OF SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS. SHOESMITH UNCLASSIFIED

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